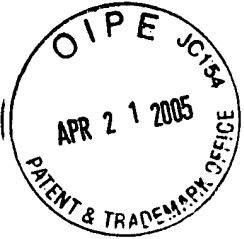


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Applicants : Buddy D. Ratner et al.
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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRECISION COATING OF
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated December 21, 2004, please extend the period of time for response one (1) month, to expire on April 21, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.